

## **I. REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested. Applicants respectfully traverse all art rejections.

Claims 116-132 are pending in the application. Claim 126 is independent. The Examiner has indicated claim 131 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Applicants will rewrite the claim in independent form in a future amendment if appropriate.

Claims 119-120 and 126 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sommers et al.

With regard to 126 the Examiner has indicated Somers et al discloses an inspection lamp having a plurality of LEDs, a plurality of lenses, a handle section, head section having an opening, a battery wherein the head section and handle section are connected physically, and beams from the LEDs are superimposed on each other at a target distance.

The Applicants respectfully note that Sommers et al does not disclose an inspection lamp, but rather discloses an ordinary flashlight for illumination. Sommers et al does not anticipate the invention as claimed as it does not disclose all of the elements of the claim including, for example, a plurality of substantially identical light emitting diodes which produce

electromagnetic radiation suitable for causing visible fluorescence of a leak detection dye.

With regard to claims 119-120, the Applicants respectfully note that the above comments on Sommers et al apply. Also, claims 119-120 are dependent on claim 116, which is in turn dependent on claim 126. Claim 116 contains additional claim limitations including lenses comprised within and spaced about a single lens mount, and the LEDs are mounted on a printed circuit board. Sommers et al does not disclose a single lens mount; rather, Sommers et al discloses lenses secured to individual reflector wells (column 2 lines 45-49). Similarly, Sommers et al does not disclose a baffle as claimed in claim 119, or a relationship between the baffle and the lens mount as claimed in claim 120.

Claims 116-118, 121-125, 127-130 and 132 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sommers et al in view of Maas et al.

Maas provides a light generator for introducing light into a bundle of optical fibers. Maas provides a first lens that collimates beams from individual LEDs and a second fresnel lens that focusses the collimated beams to a coupling sleeve wherein a fiber or a number of fibers can be detachably secured. Maas et al does not provide a practical manner by which radiation may be emitted for illumination.

As such, Maas et al is in an entirely different field of art from Sommers et al. It is inappropriate to combine Maas et al and Sommers et al. Even if the references are combined this does not result in the invention as claimed in the claims. The comments above regarding Sommers et al apply and Mass et al does not remedy the deficiencies of Sommers et al. Among other things, Maas does not provide an inspection lamp emitting electromagnetic radiation for causing visible fluorescence in a leak detection dye. Also, there is no practical manner by which radiation may be emitted to reach dye on a system that is being detected for leaks. Mass et al does not provide a baffle, nor does it have a single lens mount.

Similarly, neither Sommers et al nor Maas et al disclose the other features as claimed in the claims; although, the Applicants note that it is not required to distinguish each of these features independently in this Reply as the related claims are dependent from claims distinguished above and as such are allowable.

The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all art rejections.

In view of the above Remarks, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and a Notice thereof is respectfully requested.

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